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FOR USRDP/JECOR RIYADH

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (BLUMENTHAL, W. MICHAEL)

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COUNTRIES. SECRETARY BLUMENTHAL'S PARTY WILL INCLUDE
TREASURY UNDER SECRETARY FOR MONETARY AFFAIRS ANTHONY M.
SOLOMON, TREASURY ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR INTERNATIONAL
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OVERNIGHT

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LV KUWAIT 1230
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OVERNIGHT

10/16 SUNDAY

LV TEHRAN 1245
AR LONDON (FUEL STOP) 1730
LV LONDON 1900
AR WDC 2200.

3. FOR SAUDI ARABIA:
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AS DISCUSSED WITH AMBASSADOR WEST IN JUNE, SECRETARY BLUMENTHAL IS TRAVELING TO RIYADH AT INVITATION OF FINANCE MINISTER ABALKHAIL IN SECRETARY'S ROLE AS CO-CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT ECONOMIC COMMISSION AND FOR FINANCIAL DISCUSSIONS.

IN ADDITION TO THE MINISTER AND DR. ALTURKI, SECRETARY DESIRES TO MEET WITH KING KHALID, PRINCE FAHD, GOVERNOR QURAISHI, AND MINISTER YAMANI. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY COORDINATE TRIP WITH USREP DIRECTOR HUMMON AND REQUEST EMBASSY AND HUMMON DISCUSS TRIP DATES WITH ALTURKI AND WORK THROUGH DR. ALTURKI AND MINISTER OF FINANCE ABALKHAIL WITH REGARD TO SETTING UP OF MEETINGS WITH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IN RIYADH. SOLOMON HAS CALLED ALTURKI AND CLEARED SAUDI DATES.

SECRETARY ALSO DESIRES VISIT DHAHRAN. WOULD APPRECIATE APPOINTMENTS WITH ARAMCO CHAIRMAN FRANK JUNGERS AND OTHER SENIOR ARAMCO OFFICIALS, TOUR OF ARAMCO FACILITIES, INCLUDING SHORT AERIAL VIEW OF JUBAYL AND VISIT TO UPM. SECRETARY IS AWARE HE IS ARRIVING ON SAUDI WEEKEND. CONSULATE GENERAL MAY WISH TO EXPLAIN TO ARAMCO OFFICIALS THAT TIGHT SCHEDULING PRECLUDES ALTERNATE DATE.

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ISTER BEGIN SHOULD BE SCHEDULED AS WELL. ONE EVENING SHOULD BE LEFT FREE ON SECRETARY'S SCHEDULE. ISRAELI EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON IS AWARE OF TRIP DATES AND HAS BEEN CONSULTING JERUSALEM.

FOR TEHRAN:

EMBASSY SHOULD REQUEST COURTESY CALL ON THE SHAH, AND SEPARATE MEETING WITH MINISTER OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND FINANCE ANSARY TO DISCUSS GENERAL ECONOMIC ISSUES AND WITH PRIME MINISTER AMOUZEGAR TO DISCUSS PROSPECTS IN THE WORLD PETROLEUM MARKET.

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FOR KUWAIT:

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6. ALL TRAFFIC ABOUT TRIP SHOULD BE SLUGGED FOR TREASURY.
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